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Texas Agricultural Experiment Station

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Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED NOVEL VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS, FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION IS TO GRANT UNTO THE SAID APPLICANT(S) AND THE SUCCESSORS, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS OF THE SAID APPLICANT(S) FOR THE TERM OF eighteen years from the date of this grant, subject to the payment of the required fees and periodic replenishment of viable basic seed of the variety in a public repository as provided by LAW, the right to exclude others from selling the variety, or offering it for sale, or reproducing it, importing it, or exporting it, or using it in producing a hybrid or different ety therefrom, to the extent provided by the Plant Variety Protection Act T. 1542, as amended, 7 u.s.c. 2321 et seq.)

WHEAT

'TAM 108'

In Testimony Winercot, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Plant Variety Protection Office to be affixed at the City of Washington, D. C. this 31st day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-eight.

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Plant Variety Protection Office Agricultural Marketing Service

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Exhibit A. Origin and Breeding History of TAM 108.

TAM 108 was selected in the F₉ from the line TX71A562-6, which had the pedigree Sturdy Sib,391-56-D8/Triumph//Centurk. The crosses and selections were made at the USDA Conservation and Production Research Laboratory, Bushland, Texas. The final cross was made in 1969 to the Nebraska selection NB66425 which was later named and released as Centurk. TX71A562-6 demonstrated an exceptionally high yield potential particularly when grown under favorable conditions. Reselections from TX71A562-6 were made in 1977 in an attempt to obtain lines with improved test weight. Selection TX71A562-6-28 appeared to have a slight increase in test weight over TX71A562-6 and the line was increased for further testing. TX71A562-6-28 was entered in Texas and regional yield trials in the fall of 1981. Quality evaluations were initiated in 1982. TX71A562-6-28 was assigned USDA Accession No. PI 495595 and released as TAM 108 August 9, 1984.

TAM 108 is uniform for plant height, maturity and plant color. No significant variants were observed during reproduction and multiplication.

Exhibit A

'TAM 108' can be maintained and reproduced through seed without changing its characteristics. 'TAM 108' demonstrated genetic stability for yield potential by it's consistent ranking in average yield in the Southern Regional Performance Nurseries grown in the Southern Great Plains in 1982, 1983 and 1984 (27 to 30 locations each year). It ranked no lower than fifth in average yield among the 36 to 39 entries included each year. A single Texas seed source was used for the 1982 trial but locally produced test plot seed was used at the different locations in 1983 and 1984. TAM 108 was shown to be very resistant to soil borne mosaic in 1982 field trials conducted by Dr. H. Jedlinski and Dr. C. M. Brown, Department of Agronomy, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL. It was rated as resistant to soil borne mosaic in a field test at Manhattan, KS in 1984 and in other tests in Kansas since 1982 including a test at Manhattan, KS in 1988. This major attribute of TAM 108 has remained stable since 1982.

Since its release in the fall of 1984, TAM 108 has been certified in both Texas and Kansas without problems and any observable changes in its characteristics.

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Exhibit B

TAM 108 is most similar to Centurk 78. TAM 108 differs from Centurk 78 in that the spikelets of TAM 108 are larger than Centurk 78 and the spike of TAM 108 is more lax than Centurk 78. This results in the spikes of TAM 108 being larger than Centurk 78. When grown under irrigated conditions to prevent restriction in size of the spike by environmental conditions, spikes of 50 main tillers were measured from the base of the first fertile spikelet to the base of the apical spikelet. Spikes of TAM 108 were an average of 64.3 mm in length with a standard deviation of the mean of .96 mm. Comparable spikes of Centurk 78 were an average of 54.3 mm in length with a standard deviation of the mean of .73 mm. The standard deviation of the difference between means for spike length was 1.2 mm. The difference in means is significant at the .0001 level of probability.

Laxness of spike may be described by the length of internodes of the rachis. The internodes of each rachis of the 50 spikes of each variety were measured, and the average length of rachis internode was calculated for each variety. The average internode length for TAM 108 was 5.0 mm with a standard deviation of the mean of .04 mm. The average length of internode for Centurk 78 was 4.1 mm with a standard deviation of the mean of .04 mm. The difference between average internode length of the varieties was significant at the .0001 level of probability.

To compare floral parts of the two varieties, spikelets were selected midway of the spikes of the 50 main tillers. Length of glumes of TAM 108 measured from the glume shoulder to the base of the glume averaged 9.1 mm with a standard deviation of the mean of .04 mm. The width of the glumes measured across the widest part from the edge to the midrib averaged 3.5 mm with a standard deviation of the mean of .06 mm. In contrast, the length of glumes of Centurk 78 averaged 7.5 mm and the width averaged 3.1 mm with standard deviations of the means of .06 mm and .02 mm respectively. The standard deviation of the difference between means of glume length was .07 mm and for the differences between glume width was .06 mm. Both the differences are significant at the .0001 level of probability.

Lemma length was measured from the base of the lemma to the apex, which was slightly above the juncture of the lemma and the awn. Lemma width was measured in the same manner as the width of the glume. Lemma length of TAM 108 averaged 11.2 mm with a standard deviation of the mean of .06 mm, and lemma length of Centurk 78 averaged 9.0 mm with a standard deviation of the mean of .06 mm.

Lemma width of TAM 108 averaged 3.4 mm with a standard deviation of the mean of .05 mm, and lemma width of Centurk 78 averaged 3.0 mm with a standard deviation of the mean .02 mm. Standard deviations of the differences between means of lemma length and lemma width were .082 mm and .054 mm respectively. Differences between varieties for both lemma length and lemma width were significant at the .0001 level of probability.

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Exhibit B. Novelty of TAM 108.

TAM 108 has a unique combination of characteristics not found in any other hard red winter semi-dwarf wheat cultivar. TAM 108 not only has demonstrated a high yield potential but it is resistant to soil borne mosaic, has seedling resistance to races 15B-2, 151 and 11-32-113 of stem rust and is moderately resistant to powdery mildew. Dr. D. V. McVey, USDA Cereal Rust Laboratory, St. Paul, MN (Table 9, Exhibit D) says the infection data indicates that TAM 108 possesses the SR6, SR17, and SRTMP genes for resistance to stem rust. The Kansas Station in 1984 not only found TAM 108 resistant to soil borne mosaic, as had been previously determined in regional trials, but also found it resistant to spindle streak mosaic present at a number of test locations. Dr. Rollie Sears, wheat breeder at Kansas State University, while visiting at the Bushland, TX Center in May, indicated that spindle streak resistance had been confirmed in the laboratory at Kansas State University.

FORM APPROVED: OME NO. 0581-0056

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE LIVESTOCK, MEAT, GRAIN AND SEED DIVISION BELTSVILLE, MARYLAND 20785 OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY

INSTRUCTIONS: See Reverse.	
Texas Agricultural Experiment Station	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY
ADDRESS (Street and No. or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP Code)	8500182
College Station, Texas 78743	VARIETY NAME OR TEMPORARY DESIGNATION
	TAM 108
Place the appropriate number that describes the varietal character	of this variety in the boxes below.
Place a zero in first box (e-8- 0 8 9 or 0 9) when number is	either 99 or less or 9 or less.
t. KIND:	
	POLISH 6 = POULARD 7 = CLUB
2. TYPE:	1 = SOFT 3 = OTHER (Specily)
1 = SPRING 2 = WINTER 3 = OTHER (Specify)	2 2 = HARD
2 1 = WHITE 2 = RED 3 = OTHER (Specify)	
3. SEASON NUMBER OF DAYS FROM EMERGENCE TO: 1/ heading from Jan 1	
147 FIRST XXXXXXXXX	LAST FLOWERING
4. MATURITY (50% Flowering): 1/	
No. of days EARLIER THAN Sage	1 = ARTHUR 2 = SCOUT 3 = CHRIS
O I NO. OF DAYS LATER THAN	2 4 = LEMHI 5 = NUGAINES 6 = LEEDS
5. PLANT HEIGHT (From soil level to top of head): 1/	
0 8 1 cm. High	
O3 cm. taller than TAM 107	
- 1 - 1	1 = ARTHUR 2 = SCOUT 3 = CHRIS
5 CM. SHORTER THAN	2 4= LEMHI 5 = NUGAINES 6 = LEEDS
PLANT COLOR AT BOOTING (See reverse):	. ANTHER COLOR:
3 T = YELLOW GREEN 2 = GREEN 3 = BLUE GREEN	1 1 = YELLOW 2 = PURPLE
STEM:	
Anthocyanin: 1 = ABSENT 2 = PRESENT	Waxy bloom: 1 = ABSENT 2 = PRESENT
Hairiness of last internode of rachis: 1 = ABSENT 2 = PRESENT	Internodes: 1 = HOLLOW 2 = SOLID
NO. OF NODES (Originating from node above ground)	CM. INTERNODE LENGTH BETWEEN FLAG LEAF
AURICLES:	
Anthocyanin: 1 = ABSENT 2 = PRESENT	Hairiness: 1 = ABSENT 2 = PRESENT
. LEAF:	
Flag leaf at 1 = ERECT 2 = RECURVED booting stage: 3 = OTHER (Specify):	Flag leaf: 1 = NOT TWISTED 2 = TWISTED
Hairs of first leaf sheath: = ABSENT 2 = PRESENT	Waxy bloom of flag leaf sheath: 1 = ABSENT 2 = PRESENT
MM. LEAF WIDTH (First load below flag load)	CM. LEAF LENGTH (First loal below flag loaf):

Three year average data from the Southern Regional Performance Nursery. See Exhibit D for additional information.

Bulletin 1278, United States Department of Agriculture.

(b) W.E. Walls, 1965, A Standardized Phenol Method for Testing Wheat Seeds for Varietal Purity, contribution No. 28 to the handbook seed testing prepared by the According of Civil Seeds for Varietal Purity, contribution No. 28 to the handbook seed testing prepared by the Association of Official Seed Analysts. (See attachment.)

Exhibit E. Basis of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station's ownership of TAM 108.

The Texas Agricultural Experiment Stations ownership of TAM 108 is based on the fact that all crosses, selections and reselections, seed increases and initial distribution of seed for field trials in Texas and the U. S. hard red winter wheat region were made solely by Texas Agricultural Experiment Station employees. All facilities, land and equipment used for initial phases of the development process were provided by TAES or formal cooperators.